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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No: 09/995,226
Inventor(s):
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Title: A Connector For Electrically
Coupling One or More Devices
In a Processor-Based System

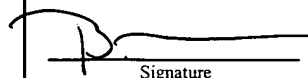
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